

## Understanding Dispensational Truth

### I. Four Realities About Dispensational Truth

1. The first reality we need to see is that the word *dispensation* is a \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Ephesians 1:10, 3:2; Colossians 1:25)

“dispensation” (oikonomia) =

- “oikonomia” is translated \_\_\_\_\_ in different bible versions:
- The word *dispensation* is found \_\_\_\_\_ x in the NT:

2. There is the challenge of “\_\_\_\_\_” the word of God as this is a biblical \_\_\_\_\_.  
(2 Tim 2:15)

- What does this term *underscore*?

3. There must be the recognition of this **biblical principle**: All the bible is \_\_\_\_\_ us, but not all the bible is \_\_\_\_\_ us! (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

- Does that include the Old Testament?
- Some examples of dispensational distinctions:

- What will happen if you fail to make these biblical distinctions?

4. The *foundation* for a dispensational understanding of the bible is to \_\_\_\_\_ study the bible by utilizing a \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ method of interpretation.

a. *Normal* means \_\_\_\_\_—this is in contrast to \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ meanings

b. *grammatical* means that each word has a definite \_\_\_\_\_ in its context & needs to be \_\_\_\_\_ or looked up in a bible dictionary or lexicon.

c. *Historical* means what place in \_\_\_\_\_ does this take place?

d. *Contextual* means that all scripture has a \_\_\_\_\_ it is set in.

e. *Consistently* means to interpret scripture by this \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ times.

- The *result* of understanding a dispensational interpretation of scripture:
- Why is this important?